

REMARKS

Claims 1-17 are pending in this application. By this Amendment, claims 1, 10-13, 16 and 17 are amended. No new matter is added. Reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejection is respectfully requested.

Applicants appreciate the courtesies shown to Applicant's representative by Examiner Patel in the February 13, 2007 personal interview. Applicant's separate record of the substance of the interview is incorporated into the following remarks.

I. The Claims Define Patentable Subject Matter

The Office Action rejects claims 1-17 under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) over U.S. Patent No. 7,134,137 to Joshi et al. (Joshi) in view of U.S. Patent No. 7,069,335 to Layman et al. (Layman).

Independent claims 1, 10-13, 16 and 17 recite, *inter alia*, "the instruction form includes instructions to perform at least one of faxing, scanning and printing files." Support for the amendment can be found in Fig. 2, page 6, line 24 - page 7, line 24.

The applied references alone, or in any combination, fail to teach or suggest an instruction form that includes instructions to perform at least one of faxing, scanning and printing files. Accordingly, the applied references alone, or in any combination, fail to teach or suggest each and every feature of claims 1, 10-13, 16 and 17.

For at least these reasons, and as acknowledged by Examiner Patel during the February 13 personal interview, independent claims 1, 10-13, 16 and 17, and their dependent claims, are patentable over the applied references. Thus, withdrawal of the rejection of the claims is respectfully requested.

II. Conclusion

In view of the foregoing, it is respectfully submitted that this application is in condition for allowance. Favorable reconsideration and prompt allowance of the pending claims are earnestly solicited.

Should the Examiner believe that anything further would be desirable in order to place this application in even better condition for allowance, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the telephone number set forth below.

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